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*Devoted to Mississippi's
true treasures—our volunteers*

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Image courtesy of Rachel Lott

From left: Lee Threadgill, Susan Haltom, Emily Dunbar-Smith, Cindy Lyons, Ann Rueff, Mary Ann Fontaine, Ferrell Tadlock, and Elaine Chatham are pictured under the rose arbor of the Eudora Welty House and Garden.

This issue of the newsletter will include information pertaining to the MDAH Learning Center. Our staff (employees and volunteers) have made a tremendous difference in the learning experiences of students who are interested in the work of the Department of Archives and History. We are fortunate to have a group of mentors who freely share their love of history, archives, preservation, literature, architecture, archaeology, museum studies, educational programming, the arts—the list is endless. We thank you for all that you do to make our community better!



Elizabeth says, “Well Done, Volunteers!”



Dear MDAH Volunteers,

It is time to pursue a new chapter in my life to explore special projects with my husband, Steven, also an MDAH volunteer. These projects include spending more time helping my special needs sister and starting a hobby business. So that I can ensure that all volunteer business is left in good order before my departure, I have chosen November 1, 2019, as my last day at MDAH.

What a fantastic 18 years we have had together! I am approached constantly by other volunteer engagement professionals who want to know what the MDAH “secret” is. The secret is quite simply that we have an extraordinary partnership between employees and volunteers. We are all in this together—sharing our Mississippi stories with the world.

There are so many great things that I have witnessed at MDAH, mainly watching in astonishment as you have worked as a team to open the doors of knowledge by helping others find their families or learning their history, opening the doors to our museums and allowing the public insight into a world of long ago, and personally enjoying history whether it is by researching it, telling it, showing it, digging it up (excavating), or preserving it. Like I said, we are all in this together. It is our Mississippi, these are our stories.

I say it often, MDAH volunteers are the best of the best! I love you and wish you all good things. I will always have you in my heart—well done, volunteers!

Elizabeth Netterville Coleman, CVA



MDAH Volunteers are the Best of the Best!

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Scholastic Writing Awards Ceremony 2019



Read about the amazing work of the Eudora Welty House and Garden volunteers—turn the page...



Eudora Welty's 110th Birthday Weekend

News and Images from Rachel Lott



April 13, 2019, marked Welty's 110th Birthday Party, and the Eudora Welty House and Garden (EWHG) volunteers didn't disappoint!

The morning kicked off with birthday cake and the annual Spring Plant Sale. Cereus Weeders garden volunteers sold plants propagated from Welty's originals to benefit the garden fund. Docents gave free tours of Miss Welty's home and showed visitors around the site. The Eudora Welty Foundation and The University Press of Mississippi helped us end the night by celebrating the release of a new edition of *Photographs* by Eudora Welty, first published in 1989.

The Scholastic Writing Awards Ceremony was held the following day. There were more than 900 student submissions evaluated by the judges, many of whom are also EWHG volunteers. Docents gave tours of the house to award winners and their families before the ceremony began.

Thank you to all our EWHG volunteers for making this weekend such a huge success!



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1) Visitors at the 2019 Spring Plant Sale

2) Ann Rueff preparing for the Plant Sale

3) From left: Beth Graham, Melinda Ray, Retta Boyd, Elaine Chatham, Emily Dunbar-Smith, Susan Haltom, and Mary Ann Fontaine

Thank you, Welty Volunteers!



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Thank you, Ferrell Tadlock

News and Images from Rachel Lott



Susan Haltom

Ferrell Tadlock

Ferrell Tadlock, a former staff attorney with the Mississippi Court of Appeals, has volunteered at the Eudora Welty House and Garden as both a docent and a Cereus Weeder. After serving as a volunteer for more than five years. He retired from EWHG volunteer service in May when he moved to California.

Even before EWHG opened, he was improving Jackson's art community through his work with New Stage, the Arts & Lecture Series, Ballet Mississippi, and was one of the founders of the Crossroads Film Festival. While we will miss him here, we know he is looking forward to spending time in sunny California!

Thank you, Ferrell, for your years of dedication, not just to MDAH, but also to the state of Mississippi.



**Happy Birthday
to
Eudora!**

Right: Volunteer Sue Berry is serving birthday cake.

Happy Birthday to Eudora!

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Below: *University Press of Mississippi staff members with Sal, the cat. Sal seems to like the I Love Eudora Welty shirts.*



Above: *Mary Alice White and University Press of Mississippi staff members with I Love Eudora Welty shirts.*

Anna Boyles

News from Rachel Lott, image courtesy of Anna Boyles



Anna Boyles, a sophomore at Simmons University in Boston, has been spending her summer helping Susan Haltom, the EWHG Garden Conservator, document the heirloom flowers in the Welty Garden. She has been using sources such as the *International Camellia Register* and *Modern Roses 12* to locate and copy plant descriptions for notebooks and corresponding digital files.

“We grow about forty camellias in the garden, and some of them are still awaiting identification,” says Haltom. “There are thirty daylilies that [Eudora’s mother] Chestina Welty planted in the 1930s, in addition to antique roses that have been restored to the garden.”

Documenting these flowers is needed for a more accurate, historical garden restoration of Chestina’s original design.





The Awesome Two Mississippi Museums Ambassadors

The volunteer Ambassadors who serve at the Two Mississippi Museums have met thousands upon thousands of visitors since the grand opening. It takes all of you serving as a team with our employees to ensure the best experience possible for our visitors.

We would like to provide a snapshot (as of July 22, 2019) of the top time donors (individual volunteers) since the museums opened.

Two Mississippi Museums Top Time Donors

1. Mildred Stuckey: 1,051.92 hours
2. Marilyn I. Terrell: 769.50 hours
3. Mae Grant: 588.25 hours
4. Lori Naef: 549.40 hours
5. Gordon Daniels: 549.25 hours
6. Murlene Terry Taylor: 522 hours
7. Mary Lohrenz: 469.68 hours
8. William Vaughan: 433 hours
9. Mary Crump: 414.87 hours
10. Thomas Cheatham: 411.75 hours
11. Deloris Stringer: 402 hours
12. Tommy Mills: 399 hours
13. Robert Stringer: 387.25 hours
14. Lorna Thomas: 359.27 hours
15. Sharon Brown: 293.50 hours
16. Vertie Martin: 293 hours
17. Debra Sturgis-Stamps: 282.25 hours
18. Maxine Blackman: 274.50 hours
19. Ethel Gibson: 274 hours
20. Hilda Bell: 249.25 hours
21. James Bryant: 222.85 hours
22. Mary Gooden: 222.50 hours
23. Doris Powell: 207.25 hours
24. Fern Anderson: 205.75 hours

25. All other MDAH Volunteers plus the ones above served a Grand Total of **23,552.50 hours.**



Welcome Aboard at the Governor's Mansion

News and Images from Megan Bankston



Kathryn Lee



Chuck Rhoads

Congratulations to new Governor's Mansion docents, Kathryn Lee and Chuck Rhoads!

Kathryn passed her docent exam in June and began giving tours of the Mansion shortly after. Chuck passed his docent exam back in January and has been regularly giving tours since.

Their love of history and passion for disseminating knowledge to all of our visitors is evident. Thank you for your hard work and dedication to learning about the Mansion and our rich Mississippi history.

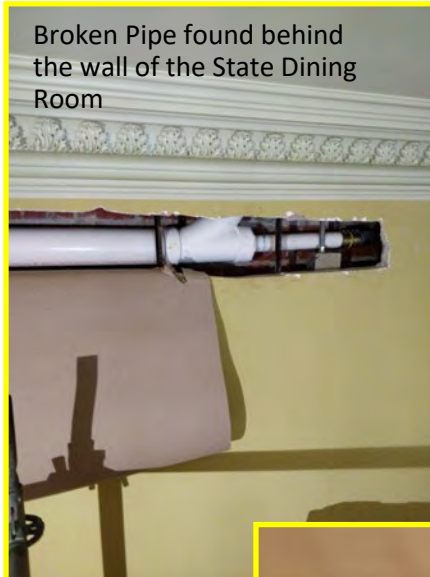
We are happy to have you on board!

Plumbing Project at the Governor's Mansion

News and Images from Megan Bankston

Hearing dripping water between walls is generally a bad sign regardless of what building you are in, but it surely startled the curator of the Governor's Mansion in April! The curator heard this strange sound one afternoon after running water in the upstairs bathroom. A small camera on the end of a plumber's snake confirmed the dreaded news—a cracked and broken long, horizontal plumbing pipe. The State Dining Room was cleared of furniture to open up the plaster wall and repair the old cast iron pipes with new, durable PVC pipe. Hopefully, this fix will last for a long, long time!

Though the pipe is fixed and the wall patched, the plaster must cure for 30 days before it is dry enough to paint. Unfortunately, this means that if you tour the Governor's Mansion, the Gold Parlor and State Dining Room are closed for the time being. The wall should be painted and the rooms restored to their glory by mid-August.

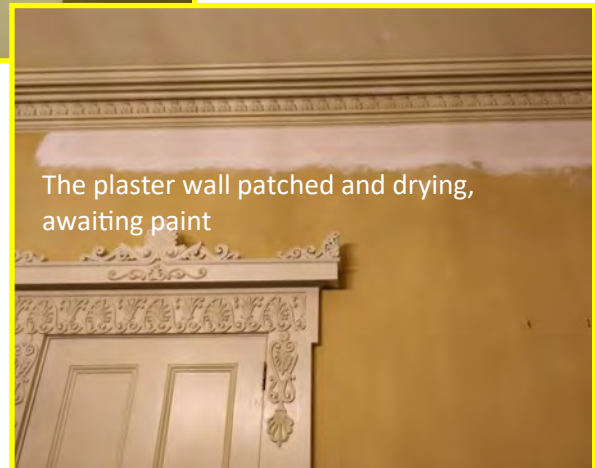


Broken Pipe found behind the wall of the State Dining Room



The new PVC pipe installed

Good job, Megan!



The plaster wall patched and drying, awaiting paint



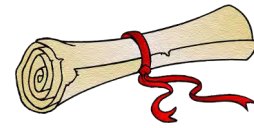
Archives and Records Services

News and Images from Laura Heller



Gail Buzhardt is a weekly volunteer in the Manuscript and Image Collections Section of the Archives and Records Services Division. For the last two months, she has assisted with conservation efforts for two collections of wartime correspondence: *The Thomas Palmer Quarterman World War I Letters* and the *Palmer Louis Quarterman World War II Letters*. Gail opens each letter, flattens it, attaches the envelope, and arranges the correspondence in chronological order before placing the letters in acid-free folders and boxes. These collections may be of particular interest to scholars who want to study father-son wartime communications, especially since both men had served in the military.

The MDAH Learning Center



The Mississippi Department of Archives and History has always been a great place for visitors and students to learn from our brilliant employees and volunteers. Because our intern program has grown, the time has come to formalize the internships as part of our MDAH Learning Center.

The plan is to enhance learning opportunities for students pursuing careers in public history and related fields. These opportunities will involve undergraduate, graduate, and doctoral internships. All MDAH divisions will have input in creating learning opportunities that will encourage academic track students to follow their vocational passion. This new initiative will be known as the MDAH Learning Center.

If you know of college students who would like to become an MDAH intern (18+ non-stipend, academic credit only), please have them visit our

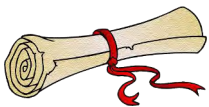
new intern page on the MDAH web site. You may access the intern page by following the link below:

<http://www.mdah.ms.gov/new/about/intern/come-learn-with-us-intern/>

On the following pages, we are showcasing students who are either interning for academic credit or volunteering with MDAH as part of their required hours necessary for graduation. Some students 18+ are volunteering simply because they love history.

We thank our wonderful volunteers for being part of the learning experience of others.

Read about the MDAH university interns and student volunteers below and on the following pages.



The MDAH Learning Center: Archives and Records Services

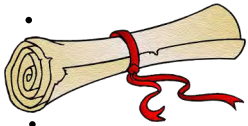
News and Images from Laura Heller



Gracie Breland, a University of Southern Mississippi intern

Gracie Breland is a native of Hazlehurst, pursuing a bachelor's in history at the **University of Southern Mississippi**. Gracie has completed processing the **James Furr Ferriss and Family Papers**, which contain correspondence, memoranda, photographs, certificates, financial papers, and news clippings documenting the service of James Furr Ferriss of Vicksburg in the United States Marine Corps during World War II.

The collection includes a number of items relating to the internment and death of Ferriss in a Japanese prison camp in 1945. The finding aid is accessible in the online catalog. At press time, Gracie is processing the **James H. Gilmore, Jr. Papers**, which concern a United States Army sergeant from Hattiesburg, and include correspondence, photographs, reports, interviews and clippings documenting his service during World War II and his death on March 25, 1945, during a bombing mission over northern Germany. Completion of the archival processing of these two collections complement Gracie's interest in World War II history and her ambition to work in a museum focused on World War II.



The MDAH Learning Center: Archives and Records Services

News and Images from Laura Heller



Grant Jones, a University of Southern Mississippi graduate intern

Grant Jones is a native of New Hebron, pursuing a master's in public history at the **University of Southern Mississippi (USM)**. Grant is currently completing the archival processing and finding aid description of the *Bock and Krauss Department Stores Collection*, a collection that needed reprocessing.

Although it contains mostly financial papers, ledgers, and insurance records, there is significant correspondence from the surrounding Jewish community in Port Gibson concerning assistance to Jewish refugees, widows and orphans after World War I. The collection includes a proclamation on Jewish Relief Day by Governor Theodore G. Bilbo on September 23, 1918.

Grant will also process and describe the *Hyman and Brother Store (Summit, Miss.) Journal*, which records daily entries of customer accounts for the general merchandise store. Probably founded by Russian-born brothers Solomon and Sam Hyman, the store later became the Hyman Mercantile Company. One of the earliest Jewish merchants in Summit, Solomon Hyman also organized the bank and served as the town's mayor. Archival processing of these two collections will earn Grant college credit from USM and complements his personal interest in history.



Programs and Communication: Community Service for Graduation

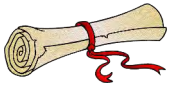
News from Michael Morris, image courtesy of Jordan Adikweh

Jordan Adikweh is a Jackson State University student who plans to be a movie maker one day. Jordan is majoring in history and has enjoyed learning from the MDAH Programs and Communication staff members, Director of Public Relations Michael Morris and Director of Education Al Wheat. Both men say that Jordan did a great job serving in their area.

Jordan monitored MDAH social media accounts and also edited a Reconstruction video while volunteering at MDAH. He will graduate in December, and he plans to pursue a master's degree in communications. His ultimate goal is to preserve history through filmmaking.

In addition to his volunteer service at MDAH, Jordan has volunteered for church and enjoys theater and photography. Thank you, Jordan!





The MDAH Learning Center: Human Resources

News from Shelby Tipton, image courtesy of Jermaine Washington



Jermaine Washington is a **Jackson State University** junior who recently served in the Human Resources office as an **intern**. Jermaine is majoring in social science and is working at Onvoi Global Services, LLC in Vicksburg. His role at Onvoi entails conducting extensive evaluations and checks to verify the eligibility of personnel seeking federal credentials through the Defense Eligibility Enrollment System. Past roles for Jermaine include 12 years in the Army Reserve and also serving as a Jackson Police Department officer.

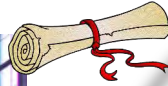
During his time at MDAH, Jermaine worked closely with Personnel Officer Shelby Tipton to research resources that will aid in the creation of an updated MDAH employee handbook.

When asked why he wanted to intern in the Human Resources office, Jermaine said that in business, all things go through the Human Resources office—that Human Resources work involves having a lot of knowledge and training. Jermaine also substitute teaches when he can.



The MDAH Learning Center: Programs and Communication

News from Al Wheat, images courtesy of Emma Reiner



Emma Reiner, a Mississippi College intern, had a great learning experience in the Education section of the MDAH Programs and Communication Division. Emma was mentored by Director of Education Al Wheat and staff members, Shira Muroff and Mariama Harris. She helped to create lesson plans based on the MDAH traveling trunks. Emma returned to her home in Nebraska and became an employee of the Durham Museum, working in their Education Department. The Museum is a former train station that was operational from 1931-1971 (see above picture). Emma helps with camps, tours, and seasonal workshops.

The MDAH Learning Center: Mississippi Civil Rights Museum

News from Stephanie King, images courtesy of Sarah Grantham and Darby Turman



Sarah Grantham is a graduate intern serving at the Mississippi Civil Rights Museum. She is pursuing a master's degree in Museum Studies at the **Cooperstown Graduate Program (State University of New York-SUNY)**. Sarah received her undergraduate degree from Mississippi College, majoring in history and minoring in business administration.

Sarah came to MDAH with a wealth of talent, having been trained to conduct oral history interviews, as well as transcribe and archive them. She is also trained in educational program writing which made her the perfect fit for a Mississippi Civil Rights Museum (MCRM) project.

As part of their effort to better serve the public, the Mississippi Civil Rights Museum staff decided to customize tours based on age groups, kindergarten through 12th grade. Sarah is being mentored by several staff members this summer—Pamela Junior, Joyce Dixon-Lawson, and Stephanie King, formerly of the MCRM, and now part of the Education staff of the Programs and Communication Division. We wish Sarah well and look forward to watching her career unfold.



Darby Turman is a senior social studies education major from **Mississippi College** who is serving as an **intern** at the Mississippi Civil Rights Museum this summer.

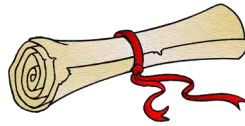
Darby is being mentored by Joyce Dixon-Lawson of the MCRM, conducting research in the Archives Library where Joyce worked previously for thirty years. Darby is also working on social media and administrative tasks for Stephanie King, as well as assisting MCRM staff member Lance Wheeler in drafting program proposals and assisting with program logistics.

Darby's goal is to teach and make an impact on her students. She has volunteered as an assistant coach for Infinity Volleyball Academy and worked to become a head coach. She coached 10 fourteen and under girls and worked in the accounts payable office of Mississippi College.

Darby has volunteered at the Mississippi Children's Museum and likes to study World War II and Reconstruction history. Good job, Darby!

The MDAH Learning Center: Archaeology

*News from John Underwood and Emily Clark
Images courtesy of Amy Dixon and Jessica Hasty*



Amy Dixon is pursuing a degree in Anthropology at **Mississippi State University (MSU)**. This summer, she is completing a **joint internship** between Historic Preservation’s Archaeology and Historic Sites Section under the supervision of Chief Archaeologist John Underwood and Museum Archaeology Collections under the direction of Meg Cook and Emily Clark.

Amy spent two years of her college career studying aeronautical engineering, but decided that nautical archaeology would be a better fit for her. Before coming to MDAH, Amy volunteered at the Cobb Institute of Archaeology at MSU.

Even though Amy has a busy schedule, she still finds time to enjoy MSU baseball!

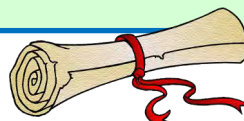


Jessica Hasty is a **Delta State University intern** serving in the Historic Preservation’s Archaeology and Historic Sites Section. Chief Archaeologist John Underwood is serving as her mentor. Jessica is performing work that is not only critical to the archaeology database, but is a great learning experience for her. She plans to get a degree in history.

Jessica graduated from Hinds Community College (HCC) with an associate degree in art/history. Her professor at HCC, Cameron Beech, as well as the internship coordinator at HCC, Josh Bower, encouraged Jessica to intern at MDAH to gain experience in her chosen field.

A Phi Theta Kappa honors student, Jessica has also received awards for Outstanding Student Award for History and was on the Dean’s and President’s lists while at HCC. She was a Hinds Eagle Band Color Guard member and a Hinds Wind Ensemble member.

We are looking forward to watching her college career at Delta State University.



Museum Archaeology Collections Volunteer

Image courtesy of Jessica Walzer



Jessica Walzer graduated from the **University of Tennessee** in May 2019 with a degree in history and minors in English and classical civilizations. Not to let grass grow under her feet, she interviewed with MDAH Volunteer Services to gain more exposure in the Museum Archaeology Collections area.

The placement of Jessica in Museum Archaeology Collections was the perfect match! When Jessica was in college, she interned at the Blount Mansion and benefitted by working in Collections, as well as by tackling other tasks necessary when serving the public in a museum setting.

Jessica also volunteered at the McClung Museum in Knoxville and assisted the archaeology lab with the curator and other lab assistants.

Other interests of Jessica's include her work with Habitat for Humanity and musical theater. She has worked at Callaway's Yard and Garden and the Hodges Library (Knoxville).

In the Summer 2018, she volunteered briefly at the Old Capitol Museum. MDAH was happy to offer Jessica an opportunity this summer that would allow her to work side-by-side with museum professionals.

Kudos to Jessica!



Many Thanks to Our Mississippi State Capitol Interns and Volunteers!

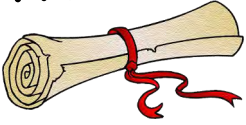
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- Interns Keri Herrington of Mississippi College,
- Mary Claire Shepard of Millsaps College, and Jeff
- Matthews of Jackson State University worked for
- Visitor Services during the spring semester to staff
- the desk, conduct tours, and provide what was
- requested by our guests and staff of the State Cap-
- itol. Each did well in connecting with the visitors
- and in assisting as needed with constituent tours.
- Their time with us was invaluable during the legis-
- lative session.

- Of the nearly 10,000 visitors during the
- 2019 Legislative Session, approximately 2,000
- drop-in visitors were served by our gracious volun-
- teers and interns.

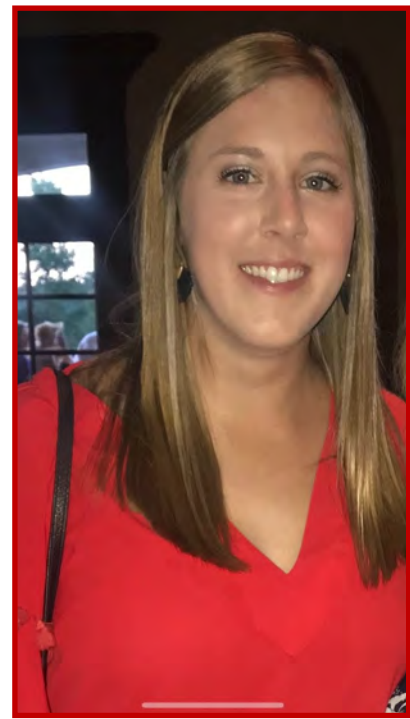
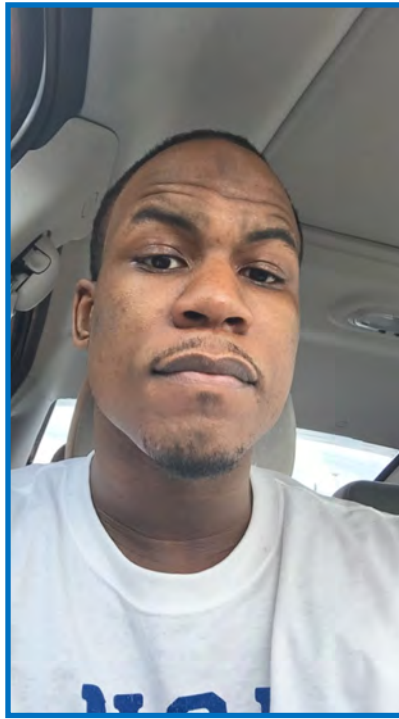
As Visitor Services transitions from being employees of MDAH to employees of the Legislature, we extend a special "thank you" to the volunteers. We in Visitor Services certainly appreciate each person who volunteers or has volunteered at the Mississippi State Capitol. Having such warm and friendly people to share their talents, knowledge, and time to assist in ensuring a wonderful experience for our guests is truly a treasure. Please enjoy viewing a few photos within this issue of the Capitol volunteers that have been taken during the past seven years.

Images on pages 15, 18-21



The MDAH Learning Center: State Capitol

Images courtesy of Keri Herrington, Jeff Matthews, and Mary Claire Shepard



Keri Herrington is a **Mississippi College** student who **interned** at the Capitol during the 2019 Legislative Session. Keri is majoring in sociology and minoring in public history. Her goal is to be an attorney and possibly a judge.

Keri is the Director of Women's Ministry at the Vineyard of Jackson/Flowood, a group with which she has been actively involved since 2006 in various roles, such as the Women's Ministry, Youth Ministry, Children's Ministry, and the Welcome Team.

As an avid reader, Keri said that she enjoys history, particularly Mississippi history.

Jeffery "Jeff" Matthews of **Jackson State University** also **interned** at the Capitol during the spring semester. Jeff is an ethnic studies major.

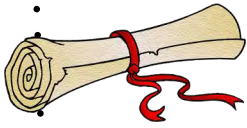
For more than six years, Jeff has worked as a security supervisor for Merit Health. When asked who inspires him, he answered his father, President Obama, and LeBron James. His hobbies are all sports-related.

Jeff said that his goal is to teach history one day. He comes by his love of history very naturally, as his mother, Imogene Matthews, works in a very critical area of MDAH—within the Archives and Records Services Division.

Within her senior year at **Millsaps College**, **Mary Claire Shepard** **interned** during the 2019 Legislative Session, as well. Her major is history, which should serve her well in her goal to be an attorney.

Mary Claire enjoys sports, primarily softball. She loves the outdoors, especially hiking and walking. Her past volunteer service includes the Girl Scouts of America (Jackson Troop) and Prevent Child Abuse America.

When asked who inspires her, Mary Claire said that her mother inspires her because she is the best person she knows, is hard-working, driven, and helps all



The MDAH Learning Center: Old Capitol Museum

News from Chris DiGiovanni, images courtesy of Jonathan Penton, David Sprayberry (Nichole Baumer image), and John Bruening



The Old Capitol Museum has been abuzz with activity! Even as repair work continues, volunteers have still been giving of their time, greeting visitors and helping with programs! One highlight has been the annual *Face to Face with History* event. Volunteers and staff portrayed historic and important Mississippians for local students. The Old Capitol has had numerous interns and college volunteers this year. Please read about three of them below.



Jonathan Penton of Mississippi College served as an **intern** during the Spring semester at the Old Capitol Museum. Jonathan is a history major and says that his favorite period to study is World War II. Both of Jonathan's parents are teachers, which is most likely one of the reasons he is contemplating a career as a teacher and a coach.

He is also an athlete—he enjoys football—the picture above verifies this statement!

While Jonathan interned at the Old Capitol, he worked on special events, educational materials and on researching historic events held at the Old Capitol. His hobbies include working out in the gym and reading.



Nichole Baumer, an international studies major of **Belhaven University**, served as an **intern** at the Old Capitol Museum this spring. While at the Old Capitol, Nichole greeted visitors and researched historical Chancery Court cases that occurred when the court was housed there. Nichole also spent time in Archaeology and Archaeology Collections so that she could be mentored in multiple areas. Nichole said that her MDAH internship better-prepared her for entry into graduate school. She is now attending the **University of Denver** pursuing a **master's degree in anthropology with a concentration in museum and heritage studies**.



John Bruening of Belhaven University has been serving as a **volunteer** at the Old Capitol Museum this summer. John will graduate from Belhaven University in December with a degree in history. While at the Old Capitol, he is helping with program development and helps with conducting events like the annual *Day Care Days*. John's goal is to teach on the college level or possibly go to law school. Thank you, John!



More College Student Volunteers

Images courtesy of Stratton Garrard and Hanna Tucker



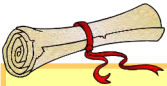
Left: **Stratton Garrard**, a junior political science major at the **University of Dallas**, spent his summer volunteering in the Education Section of the Programs and Communication Division. His primary purpose of volunteering at MDAH was to learn from Director of Education Al Wheat since his goal is to be a teacher.



Right: **Hanna Tucker** of **Mississippi College** has been volunteering in the Archives Library of the Archives and Records Services Division. Her goal is to be a genealogist one day. Hanna has **interned** at the **Capitol** and volunteered often at the Manship House Museum. Hanna would like to work for MDAH some day.

Come Learn with Us—Intern! Fall Interns Engaged and More to Come...

Images courtesy of Christian Smith, Juana Harris, and Colby Cox



MDAH is accepting applications for interns as we speak. If you know someone who would like to have a great learning experience and receive academic credit (non-stipend only), please forward our new intern web page to them: <http://www.mdah.ms.gov/new/about/intern/come-learn-with-us-intern/> .



Christian Smith of **Mississippi College** will **intern** at the Museum of Mississippi History in the Fall 2019.



Juana Harris, enrolled in the **University of Southern Mississippi's Master of Library Science** program, will **intern** in the Archives and Records Services Division in the Fall 2019



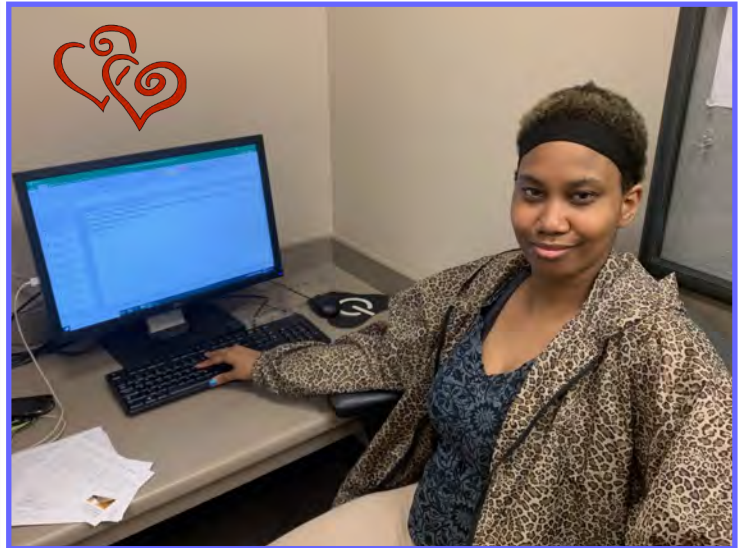
Colby Cox of **Mississippi College** will **intern** in the Archaeology and Historic Sites Section of Historic Preservation this fall.

Mississippi Department of Rehabilitation Services Community-Based Services Work Experience Program/Internship

The Mississippi Department of Rehabilitation Services (MDRS) has an intern program that gives clients the opportunity to gain work exposure by placing their interns with organizations who have projects that match their skill set.

Elisha Majors (right), is an art major at Hinds Community College. She came to MDAH through the MDRS intern program. She has spent the past two months entering comment card information that is shared by visitors to the Mississippi Civil Rights Museum. Elisha has entered hundreds of comments into an Excel spreadsheet for staff to use as reference.

Thank you, Elisha!



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Images courtesy of Kathy Broom

Left: Active MDAH volunteers (2016) serving at the Capitol pose for a picture.



In 2012, the Mississippi Department of Archives and History was invited to begin a volunteer program at the Capitol. Our MDAH volunteers did a magnificent job. We were also able to begin a successful internship program at this site.

We thank all of you who have served and continue to serve visitors at the Capitol.





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From left: *Linda Young, Buena Lee Huff, Kelee and Kolbi Price*



From left: *Steve Kelly, Kellie Little, and Sharon Anderson*



Right: *Beth Sisson and Peggy Jeter*



From left: *Jeri Reiff, Matt Watson, and Luran Buchanan*

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Elvis aka Tim Johnson poses with volunteer Betty Fulgham Matens in 2015



Chicki Atwell, Robert Stringer, and Deloris Stringer



Clytice Gardner



Gail Helms



Freda Spell



Jackie Roman



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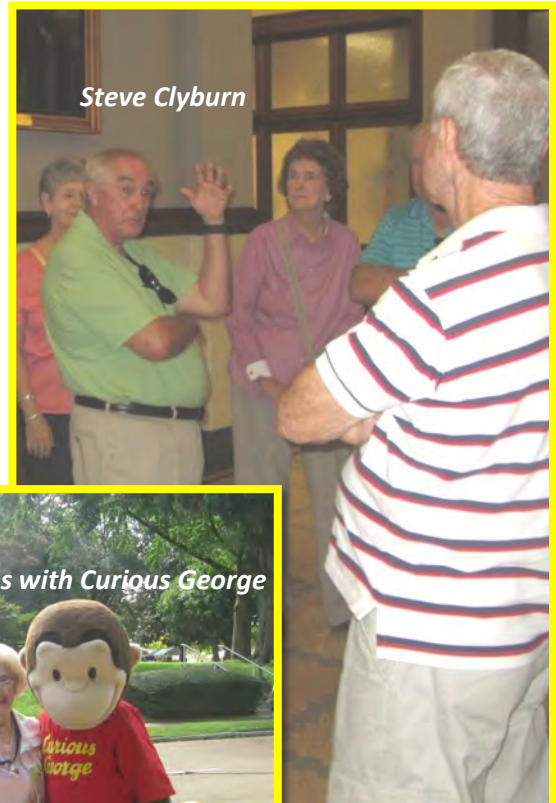
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Noreen Prouty



Sister Simmons with Curious George



Curator Brenda Davis



Volunteers and interns standing by Visitor Services Coordinator Kathy Broom





MDAH volunteer Steve Kelly loves maps and likes to research fun facts. Steve sent us an overview of visitors who have visited while the Capitol volunteer program was under MDAH purview.

MISSISSIPPI – 289 communities from 81 of the 82 counties.

- Newest include:
- Belmont (Tishomingo County)
 - Columbia (Marion County)
 - Daleville (Lauderdale County)
 - Ethel (Attala County County)
 - Pearlington (Hancock County)

UNITED STATES – 2,700 communities from all 50 states.

- Newest include:
- Bend, OR
 - Beverly Hills, CA
 - Casco, ME
 - Genoa, NE
 - Mohave Valley, AZ
 - Roswell, NM
 - Woonsocket, RI

FOREIGN – 724 places from 91 countries.

- Newest include:
- Alice Springs, Australia
 - Grudziadz, Poland
 - Hong Kong, China
 - Minsk, Belarus
 - New Caledonia (French possession in the South Pacific)
 - Pune, India
 - Yaounde, Cameroon

Thank you, Steve!



2019 POPULATION ESTIMATES*

- Jackson – 163,838 (Metro Area: 580,000)
- Gulfport – 73,228
- Southaven – 55,197
- Hattiesburg – 47,409
- Biloxi – 46,860
- Olive Branch – 38,841
- Tupelo – 38,806
- Meridian – 37,595
- Greenville – 29,759
- Horn Lake – 27,462
- Madison – 26,763
- Pearl – 26,698
- Starkville – 26,305
- Oxford – 25,999
- Clinton – 24,977
- Ridgeland – 24,906
- Brandon – 24,849
- Columbus – 24,150
- Vicksburg – 22,235
- Pascagoula – 21,636

*According to World Population Review.com

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